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POLLUTION REPORT

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POLREP NO: INCIDENT NAME:

Twenty eight (28) Ringwood Mines

SITE NO:

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POLLUTANT:

Lead Paint Sludges

CLASSIFICATION:

Major

SOURCE: LOCATION: AMOUNT: Ford International Services, Inc. Ringwood, Passaic County, New Jersey

Approximately 7500 tons

WATER BODY:

Groundwater

1. SITUATION:

- A. Paint sludges from the automotive industry were disposed of in a large mine area in Ringwood, Passaic County, New Jersey.
- B. Based upon the concentration of lead in the EP Toxicity leachates, the paint sludge exhibits the characteristics of a hazardous waste as promulgated in 40 CFR, 261, Subpart C (USEPA hazardous waste number D008).
- C. A consent order was signed by Ford International Services, Inc. accepting responsibility for the total site clean-up.
- D. Four areas containing solidified paint sludge have been designated as pits A, B, C and D. Pits A, B, and D are located on-site and are being excavated first. Pit C, located at an isolated area off site, will be addressed last.

2. ACTION TAKEN:

A. A stagnant pool of groundwater has accumaulated in pit A.

- B. Backfilling of areas A and C awaits laboratory confirmation on the second set of soil samples taken.
- C. Backfilling has been completed in areas D and B.
- D. No shipments of dirt were made.
- E. EPA continues to monitor PRP activities.

3. FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Pending the analytical results from soil samples taken from each area.

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